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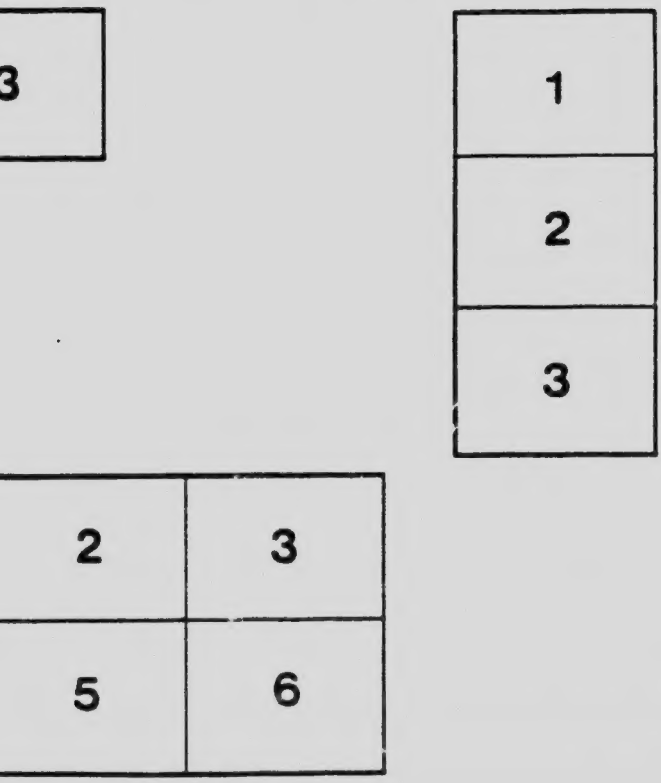

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"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Almighty God, who hast made us in thine own image and hast cast our lot in so goodly an heritage, pour out thy blessing upon our Council for Social Service and all social workers throughout the Dominion, that, walking in the footsteps of Him who came not to be ministered unto but to minister, and who went about doing good, we may all seek to serve our fellow men in his Name and in his Spirit. Grant that all our efforts for the social and spiritual welfare of others may be begun with wisdom, continued with diligence, and crowned with success to the glory of thy great Name and the final establishment of thy reign of righteousness throughout the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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A LITANY OF LABOUR

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Jesus, born in poverty, born to bring peace among men, workman at Nazareth, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, in Whom the proud were scattered and the mighty put down, giving good things to the hungry, exalting them of low degree, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, in Whom all the nations of the earth are one, in Whom is neither bond nor free, Brother of all, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, preaching good tidings to the poor, proclaiming release to the captives, setting at liberty them that are bound, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, friend of the poor, feeder of the hungry, healer of the sick, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, denouncing the oppressor, instructing the simple, going about to do good, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, teacher of patience, pattern of gentleness, prophet of the kingdom of Heaven, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, forgiving them that love much, drawing all men unto Thee, calling them that labour and are heavy laden, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, who camest not to be ministered unto but to minister, who hadst not where to lay Thy head, loved by the common people, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, betrayed for the sake of money, taken by the chief priests, condemned by the rulers, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, crucified for us, *Have mercy upon us.*

Jesus, Who hast called us to the fellowship of Thy kingdom, in whom is no respect of persons, who will know us by our fruits, *Have mercy upon us.*

Thou voice of Justice who dost say to us: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." *Have mercy upon us.*

From the love of money;
From dishonesty in business;
From forgetfulness of our duty;
From anger and malice against opponents;
From contempt of others;
From offence against Thy little ones.
From oppression of the poor;
From all acceptance of worldly standards;
From all pride; from all lust; from all anger.
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the taking of our flesh;
By Thy humble birth;
By Thy hard life;
By Thy bitter death;
By Thy glorious resurrection and ascension.
Good Lord, deliver us.

Finally we beseech Thee, O Lord, mighty and ever wise, that thou wilt guide, protect, and inspire all those who learn and labour truly to get their own living.

For men who face peril, *We beseech thee;*
For women who suffer pain, *We beseech thee;*
For those who till the earth, for those who tend machinery, *We beseech Thee;*
For those who strive on the deep waters, For those who venture in far countries, *We beseech Thee;*
For those who work in offices and warehouses, For those who labour at furnaces and in factories, *We beseech Thee;*
For those who keep house, For those who train children, *We beseech Thee;*
For those who live by strength of arm, For those who live by cunning of hand, *We beseech Thee;*
For those who control, direct or employ, *We beseech Thee;*
For all who enrich the common life through science, art and learning, *We beseech Thee;*
For all who guide the common thought, writers, prophets, teachers, *We beseech Thee;*
For all those who serve the common good as soldiers, pastors, physicians, lawyers and merchants, as well as for all social workers, leaders and statesmen.
We beseech Thee;

And for all those who are poor, and broken and oppressed For all whose labour is without hope; For all whose labour is without honour; For all whose labour is without interest; For those who have too little leisure; For those who are underpaid; For those who oppress their employees through love of money; For women workers; For those who work in dangerous trades; For those who cannot find work; For those who will not work; For those who have no home; For prisoners and outcasts; For the victims of lust; For all who are sick or hungry; For all who are intemperate, luxurious or cruel,
Dear Lord, we pray to Thee.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world.
Have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world.
Receive our prayer. Our Father.

PRAYERS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Marriage; Homes; Home Life.

V. God created man in his own image:
R. *Male and female created he them.* (Gen. 1:27.)
V. For this cause shall a man leave his father and his mother and shall cleave unto his wife:
R. *And they shall be one flesh.* (Gen. 2: 24. St. Mark 10:7.)
V. What therefore God hath joined together:
R. *Let not man put asunder.* (St. Mark 10:9.)
V. This is a great mystery:
R. *But I speak as concerning Christ and the church.* (Ephes. 5:32.)

O Lord God, Who in the beginning didst create man and woman to live in fellowship to Thy honour and glory, and Who in marriage didst symbolize the mystical union between Christ and the Church: We beseech Thee protect the estate of marriage in the dangers which threaten its stability: Grant that those who enter it may do so soberly, lovingly and in Thy fear. that by Thy grace husbands and wives may mutually love, help, honour and cherish one another, may beget children and may train their children in the knowledge which is eternal life and in the service which is perfect freedom, through Him Who with His own presence blessed a marriage feast, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V. Like as a father pitieth his own children:
R. *So is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.* (Psalm 103:13.)
V. As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you:
R. *And ye shall be comforted.* (Isaiah 66:13.)
V. And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord:
R. *And great shall be the peace of thy children.* (Isaiah 54:13.)

O Blessed Jesus, Son of God most high, help us to sanctify our home by the remembrance of Thy perfect obedience and Thy gentle love, that following the example of the self control and holiness of Thy childhood, we may make our home more worthy of Thy presence and may win for it the benediction of Thy peace, to Thy honour and glory. *Amen.*
(Rev. F. W. Drake, Prayers in the Presence.)

2. O Father of all the homes of men, Whose only Son was born at Bethlehem and sanctified for thirty years a home at Nazareth: Be Thou the head of all households, that all may find their peace and unity in Thee, and bring us at last to the home where men cease from their labours and rejoice in Thy perfect service, for His Name's sake. *Amen.* (Social Prayers and Devotions.)

Housing and Housing Reform.

V. God setteth the solitary in families: (Or, maketh the solitary to dwell in an house.) (Psalm 68:6.)
R. *And the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them.* (Isaiah 35:1.)
V. They shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree:
R. *And none shall make them afraid.* (Micah 4:4.)
V. The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous: (Psalm 118:15.)
R, *And the children of Israel had light in their dwellings* (Exodus 10:23.)

1. O Thou Lord of all things, Who hast given the earth to the children of men, and art Thyself the Father of Whom the whole family is named: Bless every wise plan for housing

reform and for the provision of houses for Thy people to dwell in: Grant that with shelter from cold and heat they may also have the needful privacy: Give them light in their dwellings that the houses in which they live may be true shrines of peace and purity, through Him who was homeless that His people might have homes, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

2. We heartily pray Thee, O Lord, that they who possess the grounds, pastures and dwelling places of the earth may not rack and stretch out the rents of their houses and lands, nor take unreasonable fines and incomes, but may so let them out to others that the inhabitants thereof may both be able to pay their rents and also honestly to live, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (From a Liturgy of Edward VI.)

Children: Child Welfare; Young People.

V. Jesus said: Whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me:
R. *It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.* (St. Matt.18:6.)
V. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones:
R. *For in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my father which is in heaven.* (St. Matt. 18:10.)
V. Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not:
R. *For of such is the Kingdom of God.* (St. Mark 10:14.)

1. Lord Jesus, Who lovest all children, we commend to Thee the children of this and all lands: Thou Who didst bless little children brought to Thee, bless them and make them Thine: Keep, Lord, their eyes from seeing evil: Shut, Lord, their ears from hearing it: Keep, Lord, their little feet upon the King's highway, that none may make them afraid, for Thine own love's sake. Amen. (Toc H. Treasury of Prayers.)

2. O Lord, we ask Thy guidance for all who have the care of children, that they may foster in children a love of beauty, truth and goodness, and may lead their splendid energy to find its outlet and satisfaction in fellowship and service: Grant that by the inspiration of Thy loving Spirit they may direct the children's thoughts through curiosity to wonder, through fairies to angels, through the imagination of the delights of play to the worship of the joys of the Eternal: Grant that they may lead the children to think of Christ as ever near; to know His standard as their standard and Himself their captain, hero and king. Amen. (Acts of devotion.)

1. O Father, make our hearts burn within us for the unlovely lives of children in dark places; all orphaned, homeless or unwanted children; all children of loveless homes; all children handicapped through infirmity and all who are victims of

the sins of men and women: Let Thy loving Spirit breathe into us a living renewal that with unflagging confidence, with wise statesmanship and readiness to combine with others, we may turn to good account every law for the welfare of children, through Christ Who loved and loves them. Amen. (Acts of Devotion.)

2. O Lord, Who didst become a child for love of us, grant Thy loving pity to all children under age who labour for daily wages: Touch the hearts of those who through thoughtlessness or love of gain consider not their weak and tender years: Assist the passage of just laws in their behalf; free them from bondage and bring them to the joyful inheritance of Thy children, for Thy Name's sake. Amen. (Social Prayers.)

V. The streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls:

R. *Playing in the streets thereof.* (Zech. 8:5.)

V. That our sons may grow up as the young plants:

R. *And that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.* (Psalm 144:12.)

V. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong and the word of God abideth in you:

R. *And ye have overcome the wicked one.* (1 John 2:14.)

1. O Lord, Who desirest the love of every heart and Whose delight is with the children of men: Bless our girls and boys, our young men and maidens, in the years of growth from childhood to maturity: Strengthen them to resist temptation and direct to noble ends the spirit of adventure in that which is good: Teach them to hate what Thou hatest, to love what Thou lovest, that in the days of their youth they may remember their Creator, and serving Thee with gladness may rejoice in the good news of the glory of the happy God: Let Thy loving Spirit draw them into the fulness of that life which Jesus came to bring, that they may walk before Thee in newness of life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

2. O Lord, Who from generation to generation dost call men and women to Thy service, and Who in baptism hast enlisted us each one to be Thy faithful soldiers and servants unto our lives' end: Thou Who didst call the child Samuel and the stripling David to serve Thee in their day and generation according to Thy will: Grant to young men and women such a sense of Thy purpose in life that hearing Thy call in youth, they may bring Thee the offering of free hearts and may dedicate themselves without reserve to the service of Thy kingdom. Grant that with joy they may work wherever Thou dost place them, wherever Thou dost send them, and may be faithful and obedient unto the end, through Him Who lived to do Thy holy will, Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Collects: St. Andrew, Trinity 20.

Schools, Colleges and Universities: Teachers and Pupils.

V. Wisdom is a loving spirit:

R. *She is easily seen of them that love her, and found of such as seek her.* (Wisdom 1:6: and 6:12.)

V. The beginning of wisdom is the desire of discipline:

R. *And love is the keeping of her laws.* (Wisdom 6:17, 18.)

V. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom:

R. *And with all thy getting, get understanding.* (Prov. 4:7.)

V. Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister:

R. *And the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.* (Prov. 7:4 and 9:10.)

1. O God, Who givest to all men liberally, grant Thy blessing to both teachers and taught in all schools, colleges and universities: Grant that their studies may lead them to see Thee in the order of nature and in the experience of history, and to recognize in the discoveries of human knowledge, the work of Thy Spirit of right reason in the hearts and minds of men: Deliver them from the knowledge that puffeth up, that human things may not prejudice such as are divine, but that the growth of knowledge may lead to reverence and faith, and to the love and worship of Thee in Whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, through Thy Son Jesus Christ, Who with Thee and the holy Spirit of wisdom reigneth over all things, world without end. Amen.

2. Almighty God, of Whose only gift cometh wisdom and understanding: We beseech Thee with Thy gracious favour to behold our universities, colleges and schools, that the confines of knowledge may be ever enlarged and all good learning flourish and abound: Bless all who teach and all who learn, and grant that both teachers and learners in humility of heart may look ever upward to Thee Who art the fountain of wisdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.
(The Scottish Book of Common Prayer.)

3. O Thou Who art the light of the minds that know Thee, the life of the souls that love Thee and the strength of the thoughts that seek Thee: Help us so to know Thee that we may truly love Thee. so to love Thee that we may fully serve Thee, Whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Gelasian Sacramentary.)
Collect: St. Philip and St. James.

Women and Women Workers.
(Whether volunteer or professional.)

V. She stretcheth out her hands to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy:

R. *Strength and honour are her clothing, and a woman that feareth the Lord she shall be praised.* (Prov. 31:20, 26,30.)

V. And women ministered to him of their substance: (St. Luke 8:3.)

R. *And many of them believed, also of honourable women.* (Acts 17:12.)

V. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord: (St. Luke 1:38.)

R. *And she hath been a succourer of many.* (Rom. 16:2.)

V. There came a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment; and she brake the box: (St. Mark 14:3.)

R. *And the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.* (St. John 12:3.)

1. O Lord, Whose blessed Son was born of a woman, bless the women of all nations and give them strength for the new burdens laid upon them: Increase Thy gifts of knowledge and understanding, of counsel and strength, that they may walk worthy of their vocation, for Jesus' sake. Amen.
(Per Christum vinces.)

2. O Lord, Who didst consecrate a woman to be the mother of Thine incarnate Son and Who in ancient days didst call chosen handmaidens to be prophetesses of Thy Church and kingdom, preserve the women of all lands from pollution of life and thought: Grant Thine effectual grace to protect women tempted in any way; to foster with Thy gracious guidance all movements for the uplifting and enriching of the womanhood of our day and generation, that they may enter into the fruits of Thy holy Incarnation and may walk before Thee in newness of life, with good will doing service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

3. O Lord Jesus born of Mary, Who didst draw women to Thy worship and service, didst receive their gifts, didst cleanse their sins and heal their infirmities: Grant that as Thou hast set their feet in a large room through the freedom of the Gospel, so Thou mayest give them hearts ready for Thy service, and minds and bodies fit and prepared to do Thy will. Help them to spend wisely, to rule justly, to direct their households according to Thy laws of Thy Kingdom, to use their influence and exercise their votes to bring home to life the love of the Incarnation. Let strength and honour be their clothing and make them all glorious within. Let their speech be with grace, and grant that they may order all things sweetly and strongly, for love of Thee, their Lord. Amen.

4. O Lord Jesus, Who didst stretch out Thine arms of love on the hard wood of the Cross, that all men might come within the reach of Thy saving embrace, clothe us in Thy Spirit, that we, stretching forth our hands in loving labour for others, may bring those who know Thee not to the knowledge and love of Thee, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest, God for ever and ever. Amen. (Prayers for Social Purity, Manchester.)

For all workers, especially those who work with their hands.

V. Man goeth forth to his work and to his labour until the evening:
R. *When thou givest it them they gather it, and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.* (Psalm 104:23, 28.)
V. Seest thou a man diligent in his business?
R. *He shall not stand before mean men; He shall stand before kings.* (Prov. 22 : 29.)
V. Work your work betimes and in his time he shall give you your reward: (Ecclus. 51 : 30.)
R. *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.* (2 Tim. 2 : 15.)
V. Not with eye-service as men pleasers, but as the servants of Christ:
R. *Doing the will of God from the heart.* (Ephes. 6 : 6.)
V. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might: (Eccles. 9 : 10).
R. *Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks unto God and the Father by him.* (Col. 3 : 17.)
V. And there shall be no more curse and his servants shall serve him:
R. *And they shall see his face, and his name shall be in their foreheads.* (Rev. 22 : 3, 4.)

1. Almighty God, Who by Thy divine providence hast appointed for each of us our work in life and commandest that we should not be slothful in business but fervent in spirit serving Thee, help us always to remember that our work is Thine appointment and to do it heartily as unto Thee: Preserve us from slothfulness and make us to live with loins girded and lamps burning, that we may be found faithful in that which is least and in that which is greatest, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Dean Goulburn.)

2. O Son of God who wast pleased Thyself to be reckoned among the craftsmen, bless all who labour with their hands, that the things which they make may be a pleasure to make and a pleasure to use: Enable all craftsmen to rejoice in good work well done: And for those whose work is mechanical and wearisome, grant them the right use of leisure that they may

learn to enjoy and to admire rightly the wonderful works of Thy hand and the works of the skill of Thy children, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

3. O Blessed Lord, we beseech Thee to pour down upon us such grace as may not only cleanse this life of ours but beautify it a little, if it be Thy will, before we go hence and are no more seen. Grant that we may love Thee with all our heart and soul and mind and strength, and our neighbour as ourself, and that we may persevere unto the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Rev. James Skinner.)

4. O Lord Thou knowest how busy I must be this day; if I forget Thee, do not Thou forget me; for Christ's sake. Amen. (General Sir Jacob Astley, before the battle of Edgehill, 1643.)

Collect: Good Friday, 2.

Farmers and all workers on the land.

V. The profit of the earth is for all:
R. *The king himself is served by the field.* (Eccles. 5 : 9.)
V. All the whole heavens are the Lord's:
R. *The earth hath he given to the children of men.* (Psalm 115:16.)
V. He watereth the hills from above; the earth is filled with the fruit of Thy works:
R. *He bringeth forth grass for the cattle and green herb for the service of men.* (Psalm 104:13, 14.)
V. He maketh the wilderness a standing water and water springs into a dry ground:
R. *And there he settet' the hungry, that they may sow fields and plant vineyards.* (Psalm 107 : 35, 36.)
V. Thou visiteth the earth and blessest it: thou makest it very plenteous.
R. *The folds shall be full of sheep: the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing.* (Psalm 65:9, 13.)
V. The husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and hath long patience:
R. *Until he receive the early and latter rain.* (James 5 : 7.)
V. One hath planted, another watered, but God gave the increase:
R. *We are labourers together with God: Ye are God's husbandry.* (1 Cor. 3 : 7, 8.)

1. O bountiful Father, Who makest Thy sun to shine on all things and Whose clouds drop the rain: Have mercy on all who labour in the cultivation of the earth, that they may receive the due reward of their work, and that by Thy grace their souls may be made fruitful unto all good works, through Jesus Christ the heavenly sower. Amen. (Social Prayers.)

2. O Lord, by Whose sure promise while earth remaineth seed time and harvest shall not fail: Have compassion on the necessities of lands threatened with scarcity: Help us in this bountiful land to be faithful to our trust as almoners of Thine abundance, and prosper the labours of all who work on the land and in the production of food: Keep us ever mindful that while we plant and water, it is Thou alone who givest the increase: Bless and preserve the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time they may be garnered and distributed for the needs of Thy children: For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Commerce, Industry, Business.

V. Take heed and beware of covetousness:
R. *For a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.* (St. Luke 12 : 15.)
V. Owe no man anything but to love one another:
R. *Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.* (Rom. 13 : 8, 10.)
V. Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily as to the Lord and not unto men:
R. *For ye serve the Lord Christ.*
V. Give unto your servants that which is just and equal:
R. *Knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven.* (Col. 3 : 23 and 4 : 2.)
V. Study to be quiet and to do your own business and work with your own hands:
R. *That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.* (1 Thess. 4 : 11.)

1. O Lord, prosper with Thy blessing all merchants and tradesmen who are striving to regulate their dealings by the rule of truth and love, and quicken within them such desire of laying up treasure in heaven as may cause them with entire satisfaction to accept Thy perfect will, teaching them so to use earthly things that they may become partakers of the true riches which cannot fail; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Sursum Corda.)

2. Grant, O Lord, that the Church may fully accept Christ's social teaching as a vital part of its witness to spiritual truth: that the sacredness of personal life and the equal value of each soul in the sight of God may be accepted as first principles of all industrial organisation: Grant that the Incarnation and the Cross may be recognised as the inexhaustible springs of brotherhood, sacrifice and service in human life, and grant that there may be no divorce between the practices of economic life and the universal principles of Christian moral obligation, in the Name of Jesus our Lord. Amen. (F. W. Drake.)

3. O Lord Who dost govern all things, grant that men may increasingly work together in agreement, with mutual helpfulness, temperance and toleration: Grant that the masses of

mankind may rise out of base and immediate anxieties, out of dwarfing pressure and cramped surroundings, to understanding and participation in noble effort: Grant that the resources of the earth may be husbanded and harvested, economised and used with scientific skill for human benefit: Grant that towns and cities may be finely built and men and women finely taught and trained: Grant that there may be open ways and peace and freedom from end to end of the earth, and that through the great body of mankind may go evermore an increasing understanding, an intensifying brotherhood, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(Prayers for the City of God.)

4. Guide us, O Christ, in all the perplexities of our industrial and social life, and in Thine own time bring us together in love and unity, making the kingdoms of the world Thy kingdoms as Thou willest, Who now dost live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.
Collect: Trinity 9.

The Unemployed.

V. God knowth our frame:
R. *He remembereth that we are but dust.* (Psalm 103:14.)
V. They went astray in the wilderness out of the way:
R. *Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.*
V. Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble:
R. *And he led them forth by the right way that they might go to a city where they dwelt.* (Psalm 107:4, 7.)
V. He satisfieth the empty soul:
R. *And filleth the hungry soul with goodness.* (Psalm 107:9.)
V. Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong: who feedeth the hungry:
R. *And satisfieth the desire of every living thing.* (Psalm 145:16.)

1. O God our Father, Whose joy is ever joy in work and Who hast given us strength of mind and body that we may share that joy with Thee, save those who are unemployed, from the temptations that beset them through our failure to find them work: Keep them from loss of character, skill and power, and from the despair that comes with constant disappointment: And grant that we whom Thou hast blest with work and comfort may never rest till we have given them beauty for ashes, oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Industrial Christian Fellowship.)

2. O Lord our Father, we commend to Thy protecting care and compassion the men and women suffering distress and anxiety through lack of work. Support and strengthen them, we beseech Thee, and so prosper the counsels of those engaged in the ordering of industrial life that Thy people may be set free from want and fear, and may be enabled to labour in security for the relief of their necessities and for the well-being of our Empire and its Dominions, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (I.C.F.)

Immigrants; Strangers; Welcome and Welfare.

V. Thou shalt neither vex a stranger nor oppress him: (Exodus 22:21.)

R. ***But he shall be unto you as one born among you and thou shalt love him as thyself.*** (Levit. 19:34.)

V. And seek ye the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away:

R. ***For in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.*** (Jerem. 39:7.)

V. Ye are no more strangers and foreigners; but fellow citizens with the saints:

R. ***And of the household of God.*** (Ephes. 2:19.)

V. For there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free:

R. ***But Christ is all and in all.*** (Col. 3:10.)

1. O Saviour of all men, Who didst send Thy disciples unto every nation, bidding them to feed thy sheep and Who in these later times hast brought from many nation a multitude to dwell in this land: Grant that Thy Church may prove faithful to this great trust and may have grace and power to feed them by Thy appointed means, so that all peoples, nations and languages may give glory to Thee, the good Shepherd. Amen. (Social Prayers.)

2. O Lord, Who didst lead Thy people forty years in the wilderness on their way to the land of promise: Be with those who have come to this land seeking new homes and new opportunities: Let Thine angel go before them and be to them a pillar of cloud by day for shelter and refreshment, a pillar of fire by night for warmth and light: Grant that they may not lose the glory and honour which is Thy gift to each but may bring it hither to enrich our common life. O Thou Who knowest the heart of a stranger and Who dost bid us to welcome Thee in the person of the stranger within our gates, give us a heart of welcome, a hand of helpfulness, a mind of sympathy towards new comers of our own blood and speech, or of whatever race, that this land, our goodly heritage, enriched with divers gifts, may become a praise in the earth, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

3. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, whose Blessed Son was once a newcomer to this world of ours: Bless we beseech Thee all who leave their homeland to settle in other parts of our Empire. Give them courage, patience, perseverance and hope. Grant that they may never forget Thee in their eagerness for success, the Old Country in the new land, or the Mother Church in the new surroundings. Give to all of us grace to work together for the common good in making the dominions of our King the Dominions of our Lord and of His Christ, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Rich, Prosperous, Privileged.

V. If I have withheld the poor from their desire, if I have eaten my morsel alone:
R. *I should have denied the God that is above.* (Job 17:28.)
V. There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing:
R. *There is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches.* (Prov. 13:7.)
V. The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work:
R. *So the people were restrained from bringing.* (Exodus 36:5.)
V. Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which satisfieth not?
R. *Incline your ear and come unto me: hear and your soul shall live.* (Isaiah 55:2, 3.)
V. Whosoever will be the friend of the world is the enemy of God: (James 4:4.)
R. *Ye cannot serve God and mammon.* (St. Matt. 6:24.)
V. Ye know the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor:
R. *That ye through his poverty might be rich.* (2 Cor. 9:7.)
V. The world passeth away and the lust thereof:
R. *But he that doeth the will of God abideth forever.* (1 John 2:17.)

1. O Lord Jesus Christ, Who for our sakes didst become poor, we pray Thee to protect them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded and trust in uncertain riches but in Thee, the living God, Who givest us richly all things to enjoy. Grant them grace so to use their wealth that they may do good, and be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come that they may lay hold on eternal life, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.
(Sursum Corda.)

2. O Father in heaven, fount of all joy and partner in all sorrow, be with us in the golden hours of our health and happiness, lest we be tempted to forget those whose laughter is care-laden or marred by squalor, misery or sin: Compelled by the vision of Thy truth, Thy beauty and Thy goodness, may we in faith and patience work to repair the blunders, ugliness and evil around us, and strive, by making ourselves more worthy of our country, to make our country more worthy of Thee, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Toc H.)

3. O Lord Jesus, Who dost teach us how hard it is for them that have riches to enter into Thy kingdom, deliver us all from false gods and from the worship of money, power, possessions or the opinion of men: Help us to resist temptation to increase wealth by unfair means or to use it for selfish ends: Grant that those who are rich in this world's goods may release their wealth for unselfish purposes, and may seek to use it

for Thy glory and the relief of man's estate: Save us all, rich and poor, from trust in riches and from greed of gain, and in all time of wealth, prosperity, popularity and ease, good Lord deliver us. Amen.

Collects: Ascension: St. Matthew.

The Poor, the Under-Privileged.

V. The wicked hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten:

R. *But the poor committeth himself unto Thee, for Thou art the helper of the friendless.* (Psalm 10:11, 14.)

V. Hath not God chosen the poor of this world, rich in faith:

R. *And heirs of the kingdom which he hath p[illegible]d to them that love him.* (James 2:5.)

V. As poor yet making many rich:

R. *As having nothing and yet possessing all* (2 Cor. 6:10.)

1. O Creative Word, Who while on earth [illegible] to be known as the Carpenter, grant sight to [illegible] luxury and deliverance to those bound by [illegible] that the rich may joyfully follow the simplicity of T[illegible] holy life and the poor may obtain the inheritance [illegible] and that the hearts of all may be set with one a[illegible] to [illegible] the way of salvation, through Thy mercy. Blesse[illegible] Who for our sake didst become poor tha[illegible] poverty, might become rich, and now liv[illegible] without end. Amen. (Social Prayers.)

2. O God, the Father of lights, Who has [illegible] the blessed doctrine of St. James that Thou h[illegible] of the oppressed and hast chosen the poor [illegible] Grant us grace that, renouncing corrup[illegible] rich[illegible] order all things in righteousness, that [illegible] pre[illegible] of the earth may be abundantly obtained by those [illegible] labour, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Industrial Christian Fellowship.)

3. O Lord, Who alone workest great marvels, W[illegible] Son came that all men might have life and have it ab[illegible] and Who hast taught us that life consists, not [illegible] but in the spirit of love and joy: Deliver us a[illegible] Thy people from the bondage of the world, from the [illegible]rship of mammon and from all complicity in social evil and [illegible]lence at wrong: Deliver all who are enslaved, over-worked or burdened: Protect those whose labour leads them into temptation or danger, those who are ill paid, unemployed or needy: Hasten the time when labour shall be redeemed from the curse, when men shall work not for personal gain but for the common good, when all commerce shall be pure, all labour prayer, all

work worship, and men shall rejoice in the things their hands have made, for Jesus' sake. Amen.
(Industrial Christian Fellowship.)

4. O Lord, Who when Thou wast on earth didst freely give Thy comfort to all sorrowing souls, and hadst unwearied sympathy with all the miseries and maladies of men: Do Thou have regard to all who, far and near, require Thy care; especially for all who hunger, we pray that they may have bread; for the homeless and unsheltered, that Thou wouldst cover them; for the persecuted and oppressed, that they may know Thy consolations; for prisoners and captives, that Thou wouldst be with them to cheer them and to give them hope; and for those whose hearts are heavy and their minds distressed, do Thou enlighten them and give them peace, O Lord, Who art our peace. Amen.
(A prayer used during the War.)

5. We pray Thee, O Lord, shed the light and comfort of Thy Spirit on those who find that they have missed their vocation; on those who have never known the opportunity of development; on those who are handicapped in the race for life: Grant that in good will doing service they may find joy and freedom, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Acts of Devotion.)
Collects: Sexagesima: Trinity 4 and 8.

The Sick, Blind, Deaf, Disabled.

V. In that day shall the deaf hear the words of the Lord:
R. *And the eyes of the blind shall see out of darkness.* (Isaiah 29:18.)
V. The Lord comfort him when he lieth sick upon his bed. (Psalm 41:3.)
R. *And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick.* (Isaiah 33:24.)
V. Lord, he whom Thou lovest is sick:
R. *This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God.* (St. John 11:3, 4.)
V. And Jesus laid His hands on every one of them that were sick and healed them. (St. Luke 4:40.)
R. *Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses.* (St. Matt. 8:17.)

1. Let us pray to our Lord God for our brother (or brethren) whom present sickness sorely wounds, that the Lord's kindness may cure him with heavenly medicine: May He Who gave life also give health, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

2. O Lord, forasmuch as it is an easy thing for Thee to give life to the dead, restore we pray Thee to the sick their former health, and grant that they who seek the healing of Thy heavenly mercy may also obtain the remedies necessary for the body, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(Two prayers used by J. M. Hickson.)

3. O Christ our Lord, Who art the physician of salvation, grant unto all those who are sick the aid of Thy heavenly healing: Look upon Thy faithful people who are sick and who love to call upon Thy holy name, and take their souls into Thy keeping and vouchsafe to deliver them from all sickness and infirmity, for Thy sake, O Lord of Life and health. Amen. (Mozarabic Liturgy.)

4. Almighty God Whose blessed Son went about doing good and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people, continue, we beseech Thee, His gracious work amongst us. Especially in all hospitals and wherever the sick are being cared for, grant to physicians, surgeons, nurses and attendants, wisdom, skill, sympathy and patience, and assist with Thy blessing all who are seeking to prevent suffering and to forward the purposes of Thy love among the suffering children of men, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Acts of Devotion.)

5. [illegible], let Thy perpetual providence guide and direct the co[illegible] hospitals that doctors, nurses and students, to-[illegible] with the patients committed to their care, may be [illegible]ght, through contact with the mystery of suffering, into u[illegible] with Thee where alone it is solved, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Sursum Corda.)

6. O Lord, Who never sleepest and art never weary, have mercy we pray Thee on all who watch to-night: On those in office and responsibility, that they may be strengthened with counsel; on the sick, that they may obtain sleep; on the suffering, that they may find ease; on the faint-hearted, that they may hope again; on the light-hearted, that they may not forget Thee; on the dying, that they may find peace; on the sinful, that they may turn again, and save us, O Lord, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Per Christum vinces.)

For the ministry of spiritual healing:

7. O Master, Our Lord, Who didst send Thine apostles into the world to preach and teach the Gospel of Thy kingdom and to heal every sickness and every infirmity, and didst breathe upon them and say, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Thus do Thou also upon these Thy servants in their holy ministry, that Thou wilt grant healing through their prayers and the laying on of hands, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.
(Used by J. M. Hickson.)

For the mentally sick:

1. O Lord, eternal Wisdom, Who by Thy wearing of the crown of thorns hast expiated all the sins of human thought and borne all the suffering of the human mind, look with compassion upon those who have lost control of mind or will: drive from them every evil possession, enlighten their darkness with the sense of Thy presence, and restore them to fellowship [illegible] in fullness of life and thought, through Thy mercy and [illegible]ver, [illegible]ord our Saviour. Amen. (F. W. Drake.)

2. O Thou, Who art the mind of all creation, we remember to our comfort that Thou hast in Thy special care all broken, outworn and imperfect minds: Give to those who live with them the understanding and loving spirit of Christ: Enlighten those who are tempted to laugh or be ashamed at such illness. To all who are separated in this life by barriers of mind, grant the comfort of Thy holy Spirit, Who with Thee and Thy Christ liveth and reigneth, God over all things. Amen. (Acts of Devotion.)

Collect: Post Communion, 5.

The Old and Infirm.

V. The hoary head is a crown of glory:
R. *If it be found in the way of righteousness.* (Prov. 16:31.)
V. Even to your old age I am He: Even to hoar hairs will I carry you:
R. *I have made and I will bear: Even I will carry and will deliver you.* (Isaiah 46:4.)
V. There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem:
R. *And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.* (Zech. 8:4.)

1. O Thou Who knowest the frailty of our hearts, hear our prayer for those who have been unfortunate in life and bruised in spirit; those who have toiled without success; those who have endured without encouragement; those who have given up earthly prospects to comfort the aged and care for the maimed; those who are lonely in heart; for them we know not what to ask, but Thou Who knowest, supply their need, O Lord, Thou lover of souls. Amen. (Acts of Devotion).

2. O Lord, Who art our refuge from one generation to another, grant Thy blessing to the old that they may cast their care on Thee and may know Thy love which casts out fear. O Thou Who knowest our infirmities and remembrest that we are but dust, have compassion upon their weakness and supply their needs of soul and body that they may taste and see how gracious the Lord is. O Thou in Whose light we see light, be Thou their light in darkness and give them light in the dwelling places of their souls: Stay their hearts on Thee and grant that at eventide it may be light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Temperance and Purity.

V. Take heed lest this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to them that are weak:
R. *For if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.* (1 Cor. 8:9, 13.)

V. For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink:
R. *But righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.* (Rom. 14:17.)
V. Add to your faith virtue and to virtue knowledge:
R. *And to knowledge temperance and to temperance patience.* (2 Peter 1:5, 6.)
V. Walk in the Spirit and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh:
R. *For the fruit of the Spirit is . . . temperance in all things.* (Gal. 5:16, 22.)
V. For everyone that hath this hope, purifieth himself even as He is pure:
R. *For this purpose the Son of God was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil.* (1 John 3:3, 8.)

1. O Lord, King of heaven and earth, may it please Thee this day to order and hallow, to rule and govern our hearts and bodies, our thoughts, our words, our works, according to Thy commandments, that we being helped by Thee may here and for ever be delivered and saved, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Roman Breviary.)

2. O God, Whose blessed Son was made man of the substance of the Virgin Mary His mother, thus sanctifying the flesh to be the instrument of the holy Incarnation, Who also hast taught us that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost: Help Thy servants by the grace of Thy Sacraments to resist the temptations of the flesh, and striving to be temperate in all things, to keep their bodies in self-control, soberness and purity (or in temperance, soberness and chastity), to the glory of Thy Son Who in our flesh did overcome sin and destroy the works of the devil, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Collects: Christmas: Purification: Epiphany, 6.

Rescue and Preventive Work.

V. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed: Save me and I shall be saved. (Jer. 17:14.)
R. *I will heal their backslidings, I will love them freely.* (Hosea 14:4.)
V. Behold I will do a new thing: I will even make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert:
R. *This people have I formed for myself, they shall shew forth my praise.* (Isaiah 43:19, 21.)
V. Ye are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works:
R. *Which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.* (Ephes. 2:10.)
V. To him that overcometh, I will give him a white stone and in the stone a new name written:
R. *Which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.* (Rev. 2:17.)
V. And he that sat upon the throne said:
R. *Behold I make all things new.* (Rev. 21:5.)

1. O Father, Who didst send Thy Son to seek and to save that which was lost, we pray in hope of Thy mercy for all the souls that Thou hast made, that they may be gathered home to Thee at last, one unbroken family, the lost found, the rebellious reconciled, those in prison released, the banished ones recalled, through the eternal sacrifice and endless intercession of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayers for Social Purity.)

2. Almighty and ever living God, unto Whom all hearts are open, from whom no desires are hid, keep in Thy power and love those who are in grave temptation and peril of sin: Ward all evil from their hearts and mischief from their paths: Strengthen them to withstand temptation and set their feet upon the King's highway, the way of holiness, that they may find safety under Thy protection and rest in Thy presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Collects: Easter. Easter 1.

3. Have compassion, we beseech Thee, O merciful Lord, on all women tempted and in danger through loneliness, bad companions, unemployment or lack of food: Give them steadfastness and patience when excited and bewildered: Preserve in them the spirit of gentleness and dignity, and raise up true friends for them so that the enemy of souls may not triumph over them in their weakness and need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayers for Social Purity.)
Collect: Epiphany 3.

Social Justice.

V. Where there is no vision, the people perish. (Prov. 29:18.)
R. *At the end it shall speak and not lie: Though it tarry, wait for it.* (Habb. 2:3.)
V. The wrath of God is upon him that removeth his neighbour's landmark:
R. *The wrath of God is upon him that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, the fatherless and the widow.* (Deut. 27:17, 19.)
V. Woe unto them that join house to house and field to field:
R. *Till there be no place.* (Isaiah 5:7.)
V. He will not fail nor be discouraged till he have set judgment in the earth:
R. *And the isles wait for his law.* (Isaiah 42:4.)
V. Violence shall no more be heard in thy lands, wasting nor destruction within thy borders:
R. *But thou shalt call thy walls salvation, and thy gates praise.* (Isaiah 60:18.)
V. Let judgment run down as waters:
R. *And righteousness as a mighty stream.* (Amos 5:24.)
V. With righteousness shall he judge the poor and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth:
R. *And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.* (Isaiah 11:4, 5.)

V. My song shall be of mercy and judgment; unto Thee, O Lord, will I sing:

R. *O let me have understanding in the way of godliness.* (Psalm 101:1, 2.)

1. O God, the Father of mankind, we beseech Thee to inspire us with such love, truth and equity that in all our dealings with one another, we may shew forth our brotherhood in Thee for the sake of Jesus Christ our elder brother. Amen. (I.C.F.)

2. O Almighty God Who alone givest wisdom and understanding, inspire the minds of all to whom Thou hast committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world, especially of Thy servant George our King, and all whom Thou hast set in authority under him: Give them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsels all nations and classes may work together in true brotherhood and Thy Church serve Thee in unity and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Acts of Devotion.)

3. O Lord, Who from Thy throne beholdest all the kingdoms of the earth: Have regard unto our country and Empire, that they may continue a place and people to serve Thee to the end of time: Guide the governing of this great commonwealth in all its parts, and grant that all who live beneath our flag may be so mindful of the threefold cross, that they may work for the good of others after His example who died in the service of men, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Toc H.)

4. O Lord Who didst reveal to the blessed Apostle the vision of the holy city: Grant us a vision of our city (or community, or country), fair as she might be: a city of justice, where none shall prey on others; a city of plenty, where vice and poverty shall cease to fester; a city of brotherhood, where all success shall be founded on service and honour given to nobleness alone; a city of peace, where order shall not rest on force but on the love of all for the city wherein we dwell: Hear Thou O Lord, as we pledge our time and strength and thought to speed the day of coming beauty and righteousness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Walter Rauschenbusch.)

5. O Father of lights and God of all truth, purge the world, we pray Thee, from errors, abuses, corruptions and sins: Beat down the standard of Satan, and set up the standard of Christ: Abolish the reign of sin and establish the kingdom of grace in men's hearts: Grant that humility may triumph over pride and ambition; charity over envy, hatred and malice; purity and temperance over lust and excess; meekness over passion and love of Thee over love of the world. Let the Gospel of Christ incarnate prevail throughout the world and in the hearts of men ,for His Name's sake. Amen.
Collects: Post Communion, 2: Trinity, 5.

Prisoners and Prison Work.

V. Yet doth God ever devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him. (2 Sam. 14:14.)
R. *The Lord heareth the poor and despiseth not his prisoners.* (Psalm 69:34.)
V. Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee:
R. *According to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.* (Psalm 79:11.)
V. And the creature itself shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption:
R. *Into the glorious liberty of the children of God.* (Rom. 8:21.)
V. I was in prison and ye came unto me. Inasmuch as ye have done it one of the least of these, my brethren:
R. *Ye have done it unto me.* (St. Matt. 25:36, 40.)

1. O Lord our Father, we beseech Thee to bless with Thy special care all prisons and penitentiaries: Guide those in authority to just and merciful decisions and endow them with loving-kindness: Give to prisoners contrition for the sins of the past and strengthen them in their good resolutions for the future: Protect those who have gone again into the world and lead them by the grace of Thy holy Spirit that they may persevere unto the end and win for themselves Thy new name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Social Prayers.)

2. O Thou Who hast all power in heaven and earth, let the light of Thy divine presence illuminate the shadows of the prison house, and fill the hearts of our brothers in bonds with hope and courage to endure patiently each his peculiar trials and burdens: Give them sorrow for their sins and firm resolve to sin no more: Support and comfort any who are cast down or forsaken by earthly friends or who suffer physical or mental pain or sickness. And if any are appointed to go hence, be Thou their rod and staff through the dark valley, and at the last receive them into Paradise, even as Thou didst promise to receive the penitent thief who turned to Thee upon the Cross, O Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(O.G., a life prisoner. From Social Prayers.)
Collects: Advent 4. Lent 4. Trinity 24.

Animals and Prevention of Cruelty.

V. And God made the beasts of the earth after his kind:
R. *And God saw everything that he had made and behold it was very good.* (Gen. 1:25, 31.)
V. Every beast of the forest is mine, and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills:
R. *I know all the fowls upon the mountains and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.* (Psalm 50:10, 11.)
V. Thou madest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands:

R. *Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet; yea, the beasts of the field.* (Psalm 8:6, 7.)
V. A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast:
R. *But the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.* (Prov. 12:10.)

O Lord, the Father of all, Who hast made all things, we pray for the humble beasts who with us bear the burden and heat of the day and give their guileless lives for the well-being of their country and of mankind: We supplicate Thy great tenderness of heart, for Thou hast promised to save both man and beast and great is Thy loving kindness, O Master, Saviour of the world. Amen. (Russian Liturgy.)

Recreation. Artists, Writers, and others.

V. Look about thee toward the east:
R. *And behold the joy that cometh unto thee from God.* (Baruch 4:36.)
V. He hath made everything beautiful in his time. (Eccles. 3:11.)
R. *How great is his goodness and how great is his beauty.* (Zech. 9:17.)
V. Send out Thy light and Thy truth that they may lead me:
R. *And bring me unto Thy holy hill and to Thy dwelling.* (Psalm 42:3.)
V. One thing have I desired of the Lord all the days of my life:
R. *To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to visit his temple.* (Psalm 27:4.)
V. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely:
R. *If there be any virtue, if there be any praise, think on these* things. (Phil. 4:8.)

1. Grant, O Lord, that intellectual and artistic life may be touched with a deeper spirit of reverence and may find true inspiration in the faith of the Incarnation: Grant that drama, music, literature and art may pursue the highest ideals of beauty, love and goodness: Grant that men and women of science, and of learning, influence and genius may exercise their gifts in reliance upon Thy holy Spirit and in the joy of Thy service: Grant that all whose minds are refreshed and whose lives are brightened by the skill of musicians, artists, actors and writers, may by their interest and sympathy uphold them in the pursuit of noble and generous ideals, and may strive with them to live by admiration, hope and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (F. W. Drake.)

2. O Thou in Whom are hid all the treasures of truth, goodness and beauty, Who hast given us the capacity to know truth, to love goodness, to perceive and rejoice in beauty: Grant to all who minister of Thy truth and of Thy beauty to know also Thy divine goodness and to use their gifts and

talents for the things that are true and lovely and of good report. To artists, bless their skill in colour and design; to musicians, their gift of tune and harmony; to actors, their power of interpretation; and for all who in any way influence opinion, grant that they may seek the furtherance of the truth, goodness and beauty, which abide in Thee and flow from Thee, of which the visible order of nature is a perpetual witness and sacrament. And this we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collects: Easter, 5; Trinity, 14.

3. O Lord of all good life, Who hast given us times and seasons, so that there is a time to laugh and a time to dance, as well as a time to refrain: Purify the amusements of Thy people from all that is depressing, base or degrading, and from all that is unwholesome for mind or body: As Thou canst fill the mouth with laughter and the tongue with joy, so we pray Thee set free our life from gloom, and from all that would make sad those whom Thou dost not make sad: Grant that all forms of play and recreation and all arts of expression may be purified, cleansed and made fit to offer unto Thee, so that in our times of recreation we may rejoice before Thee in mirth and innocence, O Lord of all good life. Amen.

Our Country and Empire.

V. Look to the rock whence ye are hewn, to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. (Isaiah 51:1.)

R. *Let us now praise famous men and our fathers who begat us.* (Ecclus. 44:1.)

V. Remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee:

R. *That he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord.* (Deut. 8:2, 3.)

V. Therefore ye shall lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul:

R. *And bind them upon your hand that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.* (Deut. 11:18.)

V. The waters being brought forth into the sea, shall be healed:

R. *And everything shall live whither the river cometh.* (Ezek. 47:8, 9.)

1. O Lord God of our fathers, Who in Thy goodness hast led Thy people hitherto by wondrous ways, Who makest the nations to praise Thee, and knittest them together in the bonds of peace: We beseech Thee to pour out Thine abundant blessing on the Dominions over which Thou hast called Thy servant George to be king, and grant that all peoples, of whatever race or colour or tongue, may in prosperity and peace be united in the bonds of brotherhood, and in the one fellowship of the faith, so that we may be found a people acceptable

unto Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
(Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, for Armistice Day, 1925.)

2. Grant O Lord that we and the men and women of our Empire and its Dominions may learn to devote ourselves more wholeheartedly to the common good and the common cause, not seeking wealth or comfort for ourselves, but rather giving much and taking little, that we may all know the discipline of self-denial and the joy of service for love of Christ and our brethren. Amen. (A prayer used during the War.)

3. We thank Thee, O Lord God of our fathers, for the loyalty which unites the peoples and Dominions of our Empire throughout the world: Strengthen, we beseech Thee, our corporate hold on righteousness; make us equal to our high trust; reverent in the use of freedom; just in the exercise of power; unfaltering in the protection of weakness: To our legislators and counsellors give insight and faithfulness, that our laws may clearly speak the right, and our judges purely interpret them: May wisdom be the glory of our times and mutual confidence the joy of our Empire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

4. O Lord, Who didst love the land and city of Thy people, we thank Thee with all our hearts for this our goodly heritage: Keep us obedient to the traditions of public duty and service and to the restraints and inspirations of religion. Help us and all our fellow subjects of the King to find a safe anchorage for heart and soul in things unseen, and teach us to look for the city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God, that Thy kingdom may come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Collects: Epiphany, 1; Trinity, 5; Trinity, 7.

For the King's Forces.

O Lord God of hosts, stretch forth we pray Thee Thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the sailors, soldiers and airmen of our King in every peril and in all their ways. Give them loyalty and courage and make them gentle in all things, valiant in action, stedfast in adversity: Help them to put on the whole armour of God, that in all places and at all times they may be Thy faithful soldiers and servants and true knights of Jesus Christ: Grant that in civil life they may shew forth the soldier's virtues of discipline, obedience and sacrifice, and may teach us the same, for the sake of Him who is captain of our salvation, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Duty to Our Neighbours.

Almighty God give us grace that we may fulfil our duty towards our neighbour by loving others as ourselves and doing to all men as we would they should do unto us: That we may love honour and succour our parents; may honour

and obey the King and all that are put in authority under him; may submit ourselves to all our governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters; may order ourselves lowly and reverently to all whom Thou has set in authority over us: That we may hurt nobody by word or deed; may be true and just in all our dealings; may bear no malice or hatred in our hearts: That we may keep our hands from picking and stealing and our tongues from evil speaking, lying and slandering: That we may keep our bodies in temperance, soberness and chastity: That we may not covet nor desire other men's goods, but learn and labour truly to get our own living and do our duty in that state of life into which it shall please Thee day by day to call us: All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V. Thy will be done,
R. *In earth as it is in heaven.*

(As arranged in Acts of Devotion.)

Peace and Fellowship.

V. Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other;
R. *Truth shall flourish out of the earth and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.* (Psalm 85:10, 11.)
V. Great is the peace that they have who love Thy law:
R. *And are not offended at it. And for Thy peace Thou wast beloved.* (Psalm 119:165; Ecclus. 47:16.)
V. And this Man shall be the peace: (Micah 5: 5.)
R. *To guide our feet into the way of peace.* (St. Luke 1:79.)
V. And the work of righteousness shall be peace:
R. *And the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.* (Isaiah 32:17.)

1. Almighty God, from Whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed, kindle we pray Thee in the hearts of all men the true love of Thy peace, and guide with Thy pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility Thy kingdom may grow, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of Thy love, through Jesus Christ, Who is our peace. Amen.

2. Almighty God, Who dost call all nations into Thy kingdom, and in Whose sight all men are equal, we beseech Thee to draw together all peoples in the League of Nations: Destroy all influences, secret and open, which fight against it: Cleanse diplomacy and commerce from all that is base and mean between men and nations: May goodwill and mutual respect take the place of jealousy and war: Give us more of the grace of hope and increase our faith in one another and in the power of Thy righteous will: So may justice and mercy prevail among nations to Thy glory, in Jesus' name. Amen.
(Students' Book of Prayers.)

3. Remember, O Lord, the peace of Thy one, holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church: Grant that all nations may be refreshed in the multitude of peace: Grant to all peoples the peace that is from heaven, and the peace of this life also graciously bestow, that all our ways may be ordered in safety: O God of peace sanctify us wholly and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life, for His sake Who is the prince of peace, Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. (F. W. Drake.)

4. Most gracious Father, we humbly beseech Thee for Thy holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is superstitious, rectify it; where anything is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, make up the breaches of it, O Thou holy One of Israel. Amen. (Archbishop Laud.)

5. O God who has made all men in Thy likeness and who lovest all whom Thou hast made, suffer us not to separate ourselves from Thee by any barriers of race or colour. As Thy Son our Saviour was born of a Hebrew Virgin, but rejoiced in the faith of a Syrian woman, and a Roman soldier, and welcomed the Greeks who sought Him, and suffered His Cross to be carried by an African, teach us to regard the members of all races as our brothers and sisters, and by our loving service on their behalf to shew our love to Thee. We ask this in the Name of Thy Son our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen. (S.P.G.)

V. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another: (1 John 1:7.)
R. *We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren.* (1 John 3:14.)
V. Let us honour all men and love the brotherhood:
R. *Let us fear God and honour the King.* (1 Peter 2:17.)
V. On either side of the river was there the tree of life which bare all manner of fruits:
R. *And the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.* (Rev. 22:2.)

1. O God our Shepherd, give to the Church a new vision and a new charity, new wisdom and fresh understanding, the revival of her brightness and the renewal of her unity, that the eternal message of Thy Son may be hailed as the good news of the new age, through Him who maketh all things new, Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. (Rev. P. Dearmer.)

2. O God Who in Thy great love to the world didst reconcile earth to heaven in Thy only begotten Son: Grant that we and all who by the darkness of sin are turned aside from brotherly love may by Thy light shed forth in our souls be filled with Thine own sweetness, and learn to embrace our friends in Thee and our enemies for Thy sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Mozarabic Liturgy.)

3. Grant, O Lord, that by Thy holy Spirit the Christian soc[illegible] may be increasingly filled with justice, penitence and pit[illegible] [illegible]at our lives, responding in penitence to Thy everlasting justice, may bring forth the fruits of compassion and sympathy in the longing to forgive and reconcile, which all men know to be the Spirit of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

4. O Lord God Almighty, Who hast revealed to us the fellowship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the heart of Thy divine majesty: Grant that in the faith and worship of the blessed Trinity we may learn the secret of fellowship, and that in giving glory to Thee, our God, we may find the way of peace on earth and good will among men, to the honour of Thy holy Name. Amen.

5. O Thou, in Whose hand are the hearts of all Thy creatures, shed abroad Thy peace upon the world: By the might of Thy Spirit quench the pride and anger and the greediness which cause man to strive against man and people against people: Lead all nations in the ways of mutual help and goodwill, and hasten the time when the earth shall confess Thee indeed for its Saviour and King and no evil deed of man shall defile Thy glorious creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Chain of Prayer across the Ages.)

6. O God, Who biddest us dwell with one mind in an house, of Thy mercy put away from us all that causeth us to differ, that through Thy bountiful goodness we may keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Rev. E. B. Pusey.)

Collects: Epiphany, 2; Quinquagesima; Easter, 4.

For the Preservation and Right Observance of the Lord's Day.

V. God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it:

R. *Because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.* (Gen. 2:2.)

V. And very early in the morning the first day of the week:

R. *They came to the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.* (St. Mark 16:2.)

V. And upon the first day of the week:

R. *The disciples came together to break bread* (Acts 20:7.)

V. This is the day which the Lord hath made:

R. *We will rejoice and be glad in it.* (Psalm 118:24.)

O Lord, Who in the beginning didst consecrate one day in seven for worship and rest, and Who by the glorious resurrection of Thy Son Jesus Christ didst forever sanctify the first day of the week: Give us thankful hearts for this Thy holy

day: Teach us to love the habitation of Thy house and the place where Thine honour dwelleth: Lead us to see Thee in the ministry of Thy holy Word and Sacraments that we may have fellowship with Thee and with one another, and using the opportunities of this day with glad hearts, may give thanks to Thee from Whom all good things do come, for the sake of our risen Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A General Intercession (from Bishop Andrewes' Devotions.)

O Thou Who art the hope of all the ends of the earth and of them that remain in the broad sea: Remember Thy whole creation for good; visit the whole world in Thy compassion. O Helper of the helpless, seasonable aid in affliction, remember all who are in necessity and need Thy succour.

O God of grace and truth, establish all who stand in grace and truth, restore all who are sick with heresies and sins.

O King of nations unto the ends of the earth, strengthen all the states of the inhabited world as being Thy ordinance, though the creation of man: Scatter the nations that delight in war: Make wars to cease in all the earth.

Lord of lords, ruler of rulers, remember all rulers to whom Thou hast given rule in the earth and O remember especially our divinely guarded king and work with him more and more, and prosper his way in all things: Speak good things unto his heart for Thy Church and all Thy people.

O Thou by Whom are ordained the powers that be, grant to those who are chief in authority to be chief in virtue and in Thy fear: Grant to the parliaments of the Empire Thy holy wisdom; to our leaders to do nothing against but for the truth; to the courts of law, Thy judgments, to judge in things concerning all without preference, without partiality.

Grant to farmers good seasons; to fleets and fishers fair weather; to tradesmen, not to overreach one another; to mechanics, to pursue their business lawfully, down to the least skilled workman, down to the poor.

Thou Who acceptest diligence in every good work, remember Lord as if they prayed to Thee, those who for any good reason give not time to prayer.

O God, not only of us but of our seed, bless our children amongst us to advance in wisdom and stature and in favour with Thee and with men.

Remember, Lord, infants, children, the grown, the young, the middle-aged, the old; hungry, thirsty, naked; sick; prisoners, friendless, unburied; all in extreme age and weakness; all tempted to suicide; troubled with evil spirits; the hopeless, the sick in soul or body, the weak-hearted; all in prison and chains; all under sentence of death; orphans, widows; foreigners, travellers, voyagers; women with child,

nursing mothers; all in bitter servitude or in loneliness. Thou Lord, shalt save both man and beast: how excellent is Thy mercy, O Lord, and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings.

Fill our garners with all manner of store; preserve our marriages in peace and concord; nourish our infants; lead forward our youth; sustain our aged; comfort the weak-hearted; gather together the scattered; restore the wanderers and knit them to Thy holy Catholic Apostolic Church.

Set free the troubled with unclean spirits; voyage with the voyagers; travel with the travellers; stand forth for the widow; shield the orphan; rescue the captive; heal the sick. Those who are on trial in whatever affliction, necessity or emergence, remember, O God, and all who need Thy great mercy; and all Thy people remember, O Lord our God, and upon all pour out Thy rich pity, Who knowest the stature and appellation of each: For Thou, O Lord, art our refuge and strength, do Thou Thyself become all things to all men; O Thou Who knowest each man and his petition, each house and its need, deliver, O Lord, this city, our country and Empire from plague, famine, earthquake, flood, fire, sword, invasion and war. And the brightness of the Lord our God be upon us.

A Short General Intercession.

1 Let us pray for our own people and our fellow subjects throughout the Empire; for our King and all who are set in authority under him, that they may do justly and love mercy; for the ministers of God's holy Word and Sacraments, that they may rightly divide the word of truth and rightly walk in it; for teachers, that they may be just, patient and enlightened; for pupils, that they may be dutiful and diligent and may learn to admire rightly; for employers, that they may be fair and generous; for employed, that they may serve not grudgingly but willingly; for the sick and those who minister to them, that they may know God's healing; for the rich, that they may be humble of heart and may be cheerful givers such as God loves; for the poor, that they may cast their cares on God; for the happy, that they may make glad the heart of God; for the sad, that they may be sons and daughters of consolation: Let us pray for our community, that we may seek truth, love beauty, and cherish goodness: Let us pray for the Church of our Communion, for the Church universal, and for the whole family of mankind. Hear us and help us, O Lord Thou lover of souls. Amen.

2. O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably upon Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery, and by the tranquil operation of Thy perpetual providence, carry on the work of man's salvation; and let the whole world feel and see that things which had been cast down are being raised up; that things which had grown

old are being made new, and that all things are returning to their perfection in Him from Whom they took their origin, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Gelasian.)

The Litany in the Prayer Book.
Prayer for All Sorts and Conditions of Men.
Bidding Prayer. (Book of Common Prayer, Canada.)
A General Intercession. (Book of Common Prayer, Canada.)

Thanksgiving.

V. Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before His presence with a song: (Psalm 101:1.)
R. *For with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation* (Isaiah 12:3.)
V In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (Phil. 4:6.)
R. *And the joy of the Lord is your strength.* (Nehemiah 8:10.)
V. I will sing of the Lord because he hath dealt so lovingly with me:
R. *Yea, I will praise the name of the Lord most highest.* (Psalm 13:6.)

Suggestions for Thanksgiving.

1. Psalms 103, 145, 147; Te Deum; Benedicite; General Thanksgiving.

**Let us give thanks for the work of the Spirit:*

2. Within and beyond the bounds of the visible Church;
Within and beyond in the world before Christ, through peaceful advance, and through pain, tumult and war;
In the history of our Empire and of our country, through heroes and leaders, in statecraft, law and industry;
In science and commerce, in literature and art;
In the growing desire for brotherhood between men of every class and nation;
In the spread of education, and the development of a fuller life for individuals, with healthier surroundings and better conditions;
In the deepening sense of human worth in all nations and classes, and in the growing reverence for childhood and womanhood;
In the Church, impelling us to spread the Gospel through the whole world;
***We thank Thee, O Lord.*
(Book of Prayers for Students.)

3. Almighty God, the inspirer of all thought and of all those who lead their fellow men, we give Thee hearty thanks for the growth of the social conscience and we pray Thee to lead to greater knowledge in human understanding and fellowship. We thank Thee for the gift of Thy Spirit in all who have been leaders and prophets in the past, and we pray Thee to raise up leaders in the present that we may work for humanity with loving comprehension of the needs of our fellow men and that

*Repeat before each clause.
**Repeat after each clause.

charity and justice and all the fruits of righteousness may abound in our lives to Thy praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

4. Thanks be to Thee, O God, for all patriots, for all who have given their lives to their country, all who have spent their fortunes in her cause, all who have suffered for her sake; who have earned no name or fame; who have been baffled, mocked, scorned, persecuted. Thanks be to Thee for their vision of the truth, their courage and patient courtesy, their purity and strength. Of them we have not been worthy, but do Thou forgive our sins. And when Thou sendest forth to us prophets and leaders, may we know that they are sent from Thee and may we turn away from sin and humbly follow them in their work for Thee, for Thy name's sake. Amen.
(Binyon's Prayers for the City of God.)

5. O Lord our Father, Thou Who hast given so much to us, give one thing more, a grateful heart(s).

Let us give humble and joyful thanks and praise for all Thy blessings, especially:

For the revelation of the Blessed Trinity in Unity;

For the love of the Incarnation, and the stooping down of God in Jesus Christ;

For the gift and presence and guidance of the Spirit of light and truth;

For the revelation of the Divine Fatherhood and of the brotherhood of all in Christ, and for the fellowship of the Spirit;

For God's law of order and justice revealed in the Scriptures as the Divine will for man, and for the hope of the new heavens and the new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness;

For the awakening of the social conscience and its expression in the Church through the lips and lives of men and women taught and led by the Spirit, and through the Sacraments of fellowship;

For the discoveries of human knowledge which have been blessed by God to the relief of man's estate;

For the holy and humble men of heart who through the ages have devoted their minds to the study and interpretation of God's Word and of God's works in nature and history and experience;

For the clear thinking of social science and for the spirit of love and kindliness manifested with understanding in social work;

For all movements towards peace, brotherhood and freedom (the League of Nations; the World Alliance for promoting International Friendship through the Churches; the Boy Scout and Girl Guide movements; the World Student Christian Federation; the Missionary Fellowship; Toc H. (*this list may be extended*).

For all fair and generous employers and for all honest and skilful workmen;

For happiness in work and for the joy of social life and intercourse with others;

For the teaching of the Bible and the Church concerning unity in diversity, and for all influences by which men and women are led to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace;

For the happiness of home, the laughter of children, the sense of humour and all innocent mirth;

For the beauty of art and all the dreams and visions which come from Thee and lead to Thee;

For the sacramental principle by which the visible becomes the channel of the invisible, and for the life and love of God manifested in nature and in the Sacraments of the Church;

For all those who give themselves in love of the brethren; and for all who have laid down their lives for truth, justice, freedom, brotherhood, love;

For faith in the immortality of all which is good, and for the fulness of life through the Incarnation which Jesus Christ came to bring;

**We thank Thee, O Lord.*

Suggested Order of Service.

Versicles and Responses:

V. I am the Lord; that is my name:

R. ***My glory will I not give to another.*** (Isaiah 43:8.)

V. Drop down, ye heavens, from above; let the skies pour down righteousness:

R. ***Let the earth open and let them bring forth salvation; I the Lord have created it.*** (Isaiah 45:8.)

V. He shall not strive nor cry, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street:

R. ***He will not fail nor be discouraged till he have set judgment in the earth.*** (Isaiah 42:2, 4.)

V. A highway shall be there and a way; it shall be called the way of holiness:

R. ***The wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.*** (Isaiah 35:8.)

V. And God said, Let there be light: And there was light:

R. ***And God saw everything that he had made, and behold it was very good.*** (Gen. 1:3, 31.)

V. Shew Thy servants Thy work and their children Thy glory:

*Repeat after each clause.

R. *Prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper Thou our handiwork.* (Psalm 90:16, 17.)
V. The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous:
R. *The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.* (Psalm 118:15.)
V. Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains Thy judgments are like the great deep:
R. *Thou Lord shalt save both man and beast; how excellent is Thy mercy, O Lord.* (Psalm 36:6, 7.)
V. God will teach us of his ways and we will walk in his paths:
R. *And he shall judge among many people: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.* (Micah 4:2, 3.)
V. If we walk in the light as he is in the light:
R. *We have fellowship one with another.* (1 John 1: 7.)
V. Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another:
R. *Love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous.* (1 Peter 3: 8.)
V. Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and be their God:
R. *And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold I make all things new.* (Rev. 21:3, 5.)

Confession:

O Lord, Who alone canst give the penitence which Thou desirest, bring home to each of our hearts our individual share in national and social sins: indifference towards the suffering and limitations of others; bitterness towards those who abound in this world's goods; selfish complacence with t[illegible]s as they are; irresponsible use of possessions and wealth; s[illegible]h spending and selfish hoarding; timidity in face of unc[illegible]iness, intemperance and vice; waste of life and faithlessness in Thy power to work in and through us to the fulfilment of Thy gracious promises. Deepen our penitence and turn us from our sins, O Lord; shew the light of Thy countenance and we shall be whole. Amen.

Suggested Psalms: 15, 24, 30, 72, 85, 146.

First Lesson—Isaiah 32, 35, 55; Micah 6, verses 1-9; Amos 5, verses 4-25; Zechariah 8.

Magnificat.

Second Lesson: St. Mark 5; Romans 12; 1 Corinthians 12; Colossians 3, verses 4-7; James 2, verses 1-18; 1 John 2; Revelation 21, verses 1-7 and verse 22; ch. 22, verse 6.

Deus Misereatur.

Creed.

Prayers.

Blessing.

SOCIAL WELFARE HYMNS

I

C.M

1. O God of truth, whose living word,
   Upholds whate'er hath breath,
   Look down on Thy creation, Lord,
   Enslaved by sin and death.

2. Set up Thy standard, Lord, that we
   Who claim a heavenly birth,
   May march with Thee to smite the lies
   That vex Thy groaning earth.

3. Ah! could we join that blest array,
   And follow in the might
   Of Him, the faithful and the true,
   In raiment clean and white!

4. How can we fight for truth and God,
   Enthralled by lies and sin?
   He who would wage such war without,
   Must first be clean within.

5. Then God of truth, for Whom we long,
   Thou who wilt hear our prayer,
   Do Thine own battle in our hearts,
   And slay the falsehood there.

6. Yea come! then tried as in the fire,
   From every lie set free,
   In us Thy perfect truth shall shine,
   And we may fight for Thee.

THOMAS HUGHES.

(Another version of 571 B.C.P.)

2

1. O God, our Father, throned on high,
   Enrobed in ageless splendour,
   To Thee, in awe and love and joy,
   Ourselves we would surrender—
   To live obedient to Thy will
   As servants to each other,
   And show our faithfulness to Thee
   By love to one another.

2. To serve by love, O teach us how;
   Be this our great vocation—
   To comfort grief, to seek the lost
   With message of salvation;
   In loving may our full hearts beat,
   Our words be wise and winning;
   In helping others may our joy
   Have ever new beginning.

3. Thee, Lord, for Thy dear Son we bless;
   His heart for us was broken;
   O Love, upon the bitter Cross
   Thy deepest word was spoken;
   The echo of that word was heard
   In love for every brother;
   So test we, Lord, our love for Thee,
   By loving one another.

GEORGE THOMAS COSTER.

(Tune, Bishopgarth, B.C.P. 300.)

3

C.M.

1. From Thee all skill and science flow,
   All pity, care, and love,
   All calm and courage, faith and hope;
   O pour them from above.

2. And part them, Lord, to each and all,
   As each and all shall need,
   To rise like incense, each to Thee,
   In noble thought and deed.

3. And hasten, Lord, that perfect day
   When pain and death shall cease,
   And Thy just rule shall fill the earth
   With health and light and peace;

4. When ever blue the sky shall gleam,
   And ever green the sod,
   And man's rude work deface no more
   The Paradise of God.

CHARLES KINGSLEY.

(Tune, St. Peter, B.C.P. 484; or Holy Trinity, B.C.P. 252.)

4

L.M.

1. Where cross the crowded ways of life.
   Where sound the cries of race and clan,
   Above the noise of selfish strife,
   We hear Thy voice, O Son of Man.

2. In haunts of wretchedness and need,
   On shadowed thresholds, dark with fears,
   From paths where hide the lures of greed,
   We catch the vision of Thy tears.

3. From tender childhood's helplessness,
   From woman's grief, man's burdened toil,
   From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,
   Thy heart hath never known recoil.

4. The cup of water given for Thee
   Still holds the fragrance of Thy grace;
   Yet long these multitudes to see
   The sweet compassion of Thy face.

5. O Master, from the mountain side,
   Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
   Among those restless throngs abide,
   O tread the city's streets again;

6. Till sons of men shall learn Thy love,
   And follow where Thy feet have trod;
   Till glorious from Thy heaven above
   Shall come the city of our God.

FRANK MASON NORTH.

(Tune, Walton, B.C.P. 519.)

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1. The light of God is falling
   Upon life's common way;
The Master's voice still calling,
   "Come walk with Me to-day";
No duty can seem lowly
   To Him who lives with Thee,
And all of life grows holy,
   O Christ of Galilee.

2. Who shares his life's pure pleasures,
   And walks the honest road,
Who trades with heaping measures,
   And lifts his brother's load,
Who turns the wrong down bluntly,
   And lends the right a hand;
He dwells in God's own country,
   He tills the Holy Land.

3. Where human lives are thronging
   In toil and pain and sin,
While cloistered hearts are longing
   To bring the kingdom in,
O Christ, the Elder Brother,
   Of proud and beaten men,
When they have found each other,
   Thy Kingdom will come then.

4. Thy ransomed host in glory,
   All souls that sin and pray,
Turn toward the cross that bore Thee;
   "Behold the man" they say;
And while Thy Church is pleading
   For all who would do good,
We hear Thy true voice leading
   Our song of brotherhood.

REV. DR. LOUIS F. BENSON.

(Tune, Greenland, B.C.P. 183; or Lancashire, B.C.P. 597.)

6

1. Let there be light, Lord God of Hosts, L.M.
   Let there be wisdom on the earth.
   Let broad humanity have birth.
   Let there be deeds, instead of boasts.

2. Within our passioned hearts instil
   The calm that endeth strain and strife;
   Make us Thy ministers of life;
   Purge us from lusts that curse and kill.

3. Give us the peace of vision clear
   To see our brothers' good our own,
   To joy and suffer not alone,
   The love that casteth out all fear.

4. Let woe and waste of warfare cease,
   That useful labour yet may build
   Its homes with love and laughter filled.
   God, give Thy wayward children peace.

WILLIAM M. VORIES.

(Tune, Pentecost, B.C.P. 457; or Abends, B.C.P. 20.)

7

1. Rise up, O men of God, S.M.
   Have done with lesser things;
   Give heart and soul and mind and strength
   To serve the King of kings.

2. Rise up, O men of God,
   His kingdom tarries long;
   Bring in the day of brotherhood,
   And end the night of wrong.

3. Rise up, O men of God,
   The Church for you doth wait;
   Her strength shall make your spirit strong,
   Her service make you great.

4. Lift high the Cross of Christ,
   Tread where His feet have trod;
   As brothers of the Son of Man,
   Rise up, O men of God.

(Tune, St. Ethelwald, B.C.P. 617; or Festal Song, B.C.P. 670.)

8

1. When through the whirl of wheels, and engines humming,
   Patiently powerful for the sons of men,
   Peals like a trumpet promise of His coming
   Who in the clouds is pledged to come again;

2. When through the night the furnace fires a-flaring,
   Shooting out tongues of flame like leaping blood,
   Speak to the heart of Love, alive and daring,
   Sing of the boundless energy of God;

3. When in the depths the patient miner striving
   Feels in his arms the vigour of the Lord,
   Strikes for a kingdom and his King's arriving,
   Holding his pick more splendid than the sword;

4. When on the sweat of labour and its sorrow,
   Toiling in twilight flickering and dim,
   Flames out the sunshine of the great to-morrow,
   When all the world looks up because of Him—

5. Then will He come with meekness for His glory,
   God in a workman's jacket as before,
   Living again the eternal Gospel story,
   Sweeping the shavings from His workshop floor.

G. A. STUDDERT KENNEDY.

The Industrial Christian Fellowship Hymn. Tunes: Strength and Stay, B.C.P. 28; Ancient Days, B.C.P. 398; or Russell's Lombard St. in Songs of Praise 399.

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9 D.L.M.

1. And did those feet in ancient time
   Walk upon England's mountains green,
   And was the holy Lamb of God
   In England's pleasant pastures seen?
   And did the countenance divine
   Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
   And was Jerusalem builded here
   Among those dark Satanic mills?

2. Bring me my bow of burning gold
   Bring me my arrows of desire,
   Bring me my spear, O clouds, unfold,
   Bring me my chariot of fire.
   I will not cease from mental fight,
   Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
   Till we have built Jerusalem
   In this our own beloved land.

WILLIAM BLAKE.

Tune, Jerusalem, by Sir C. H. Parry, 1848-1918, in Songs of Praise 204, Oxford Univ. Press.

10

1. Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

2. Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

3. Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

ALFRED LORD TENNYSON.

Tune, Redhead No. 4, B.C.P. 178; or Mozart, B.C.P 9.

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1. Judge Eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords, and King of kings,
With Thy living fire of judgment
Purge this realm of bitter things;
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of Thy wings.

2. Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release;
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease,
And the homesteads and the woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.

3. Crown, O God, Thine own endeavour;
Cleave our darkness with Thy sword;
Feed the faint and hungry heathen
With the richness of Thy word;
Cleanse the body of this Empire
Through the glory of the Lord.

HENRY SCOTT HOLLAND.

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Tune, Rhuddlan, Eng. Hyl. 423, Songs of Praise, 284; or Regent Square, B.C.P. 536.

12 7676D.

1. Lead on, O King Eternal
   The day of march has come;
   Henceforth in fields of conquest
   Thy tents shall be our home;
   Through days of preparation
   Thy grace has made us strong;
   And now, O King Eternal,
   We lift our battle-song.

2. Lead on, O King Eternal,
   Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
   And holiness shall whisper
   The sweet Amen of peace;
   For not with swords loud clashing,
   Nor roll of stirring drums,
   But deeds of love and mercy,
   The heavenly kingdom comes.

3. Lead on, O King Eternal,
   We follow, not with fears;
   For gladness breaks like morning
   Where'er Thy face appears;
   Thy Cross is lifted o'er us;
   We journey in its light;
   The crown awaits the conquest;
   Lead on, O God of might.

ERNEST W. SHURTLEFF.

Tune, Lancashire, B.C.P. 597; or Greenland, B.C.P. 183.

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13 C.M.

1. "Thy kingdom come," on bended knee,
   The passing ages pray:
   And faithful souls have yearned to see
   On earth that kingdom's day.

2. But the slow watches of the night
   Not less to God belong,
   And for the everlasting right
   The silent stars are strong.

3. And lo, already on the hills
   The flags of dawn appear:
   Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
   Proclaim the day is near;

4. The day in whose clear-shining light
   All wrongs shall stand revealed,
   When justice shall be throned in might,
   And every hurt be healed;

5. When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
   Shall walk the earth abroad—
   The day of perfect righteousness,
   The promised day of God.

REV. FREDERICK L. HOSMER.

Tune, Irish, B.C.P. 45; or St. Stephen, B.C.P. 661.

8787 D.

1. Once to every man and nation
   Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood
   For the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
   Offering each the bloom or blight—
And the choice goes by for ever
   'Twixt that darkness and that light.

2. Then to side with truth is noble,
   When we share her wretched crust,
Ere her cause bring fame and profit,
   And 'tis prosperous to be just:
Then it is the brave man chooses,
   While the coward stands aside
Till the multitude make virtue
   Of the faith they had denied.

3. By the light of burning martyrs,
   Christ, Thy bleeding feet we track,
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
   With the Cross that turns not back.
New occasions teach new duties;
   Time makes ancient good uncouth;
They must upward still and onward
   Who would keep abreast of truth.

4. Though the cause of evil prosper,
   Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Truth for ever on the scaffold,
   Wrong for ever on the throne.
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
   And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
   Keeping watch above His own.

JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL

Tune, Deerhurst, B.C.P. 365; or Rex Gloriae, B.C.P. 184.
See also Ebenezer, English Hymnal 108.

1. Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round
   Of circling planets, singing on their way;
Guide of the nations, from the depths profound,
   Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts, that we may ever be
   Guided and strengthened and upheld by Thee.

2. We are of Thee, the children of Thy love,
   The brothers of Thy well-beloved Son;
Descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove,
   Into our hearts, that we may be as one;
As one with Thee, to whom we ever tend,
   As one with Him, our brother and our friend.

3. We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
   One in our love of all things sweet and fair,
One with the joy that breaketh into song,
   One with the grief that trembleth into prayer;
One in the power that makes the children free
   To follow truth, and thus to follow Thee.

4. O clothe us with Thy heavenly armour, Lord,
   Thy trusty shield, Thy sword of love divine;
Our inspiration be Thy constant word;
   We ask no victories that are not Thine;
Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be;
   Enough to know that we are serving Thee.

REV. J. W. CHADWICK.

Tune, Yorkshire, B.C.P. 74. See also Langemarck, Can. Pres. 566, and Song One, English Hymnal 384.

Hymns in the Book of Common Praise that may be used at services where the theme is Social Service:

66. Hark! the glad sound!
314. Soldiers of the Cross arise.
291. O Master let me walk.
621. Take my life and let it be.
540. Lord, speak to me.
290. Go labour on.
724. Work for the night is coming.
771. Rescue the perishing.
328. We give Thee but Thine own.
329. Thou to Whom the sick and dying.
330. Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old.
366. O praise our Lord to-day.
409. Blest be the tie that binds.
467. God moves in a mysterious way.
568. O for a thousand tongues to sing.
527. Joy to the world!